

## 1999 Tornado Fatalities

In 1999, NWS recorded 1,343 tornadoes, a drop from 1,425 in 1998. Tornadoes resulted in 94 deaths—down nearly 30% from 1998's total of 130. Both years are significantly higher than the 10-year average for tornado deaths—58. Of the 94 fatalities, 39 were in permanent homes and 34 were in mobile homes. In a departure from the norm, female fatalities (50) outnumbered male fatalities (44) in 1999. The 30- to 69-age groups were most affected with 63% of the fatalities. Tornado injuries (1,842) in 1999 decreased slightly from 1998's total (1,868). On May 3, 1999, one of the largest tornado outbreaks in history struck west-central Oklahoma and southern Kansas, killing 48 and injuring 945.

### 1999 TORNADO FATALITIES BY STATE AND LOCATION

<u>STATE</u>	<u>BU</u>	<u>LS</u>	<u>MH</u>	<u>OT</u>	<u>OU</u>	<u>PH</u>	<u>SC</u>	<u>VE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
AR	1	0	3	0	0	2	0	2	8
IA	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	2
IL	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	3
KS	0	0	4	0	2	0	0	0	6
LA	0	0	6	0	1	0	0	0	7
MS	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
NC	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
OH	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	4
OK	2	0	12	0	2	25	0	1	42
SD	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
TN	0	0	3	1	1	7	0	0	12
TX	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	0	6
UT	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>94</b>
<b>PERCENT</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>99*</b>

(\* Due to rounding total does not equal 100%)

### 1999 TORNADO FATALITIES BY AGE AND GENDER

	<u>FEMALE</u>	<u>MALE</u>	<u>UNKNOWN</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>PERCENT</u>
0 TO 9	3	3	0	6	6
10 TO 19	3	0	0	3	3
20 TO 29	4	4	0	8	9
30 TO 39	4	8	0	12	13
40 TO 49	12	8	0	20	21
50 TO 59	8	6	0	14	15
60 TO 69	6	7	0	13	14
70 TO 79	4	4	0	8	9
80 TO 89	4	3	0	7	7
90 TO --	1	0	0	1	1
UNKNOWN	1	1	0	2	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>PERCENT</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>100</b>	

#### LEGEND

BU - Business  
 LS - Long-Span Roof  
 MH - Mobile Home  
 OT - Other/Unknown  
 OU - Outside Open  
 PH - Permanent Home  
 SC - School  
 VE - Vehicle